

WISE MEN OR FOOLS

Some Remarkable Cases of Obstinate Talemens.

OBJECT LESSONS IN COURT

How One Man May Have More at His Mercy—Plenty as a Means of Conviction.

Justice is sometimes quite unconscious of their own determination of spirit. One of them, says the London Illustrated News, once James tells us, once explained to the Recorder, who had noticed his peculiarity, that his behavior was entirely misunderstood. "No man, sir, is more open than I am to conviction, and to do what is right in every case, but I have not met with the same consideration from others. I have generally been my lot to be on a jury with eleven of the most obstinate men imaginable, who will not listen to reason." It is fair to say that once in a hundred times or so this majority of one proves to be in the right. Lord Lyndhurst mentions a case in which, through the opposition of a single individual, the jury, who were otherwise all for a verdict of guilty, could come to no agreement; but on the prisoner being tried again he was unanimously and, as it turned out, justly acquitted. On the other hand, some juries have too low an opinion of what some philosophers call their ego, and are willing to despite their duties to all other ego. When Justice Gould had been about two hours trying a case at York he noticed there were but eleven juries in the box. "Please, my lord," replied the foreman, in answer to the judge's natural inquiry, "the other has gone away about some business he had to do, but he has left his verdict with me."

The most remarkable case of a jury "standing out" against what seemed unrefutable testimony, and all through the resolution of one man, occurred before Chief Justice Dyer. He presided at a murder trial in which everything went against the prisoner, who on his part could only say that on his going to work in the morning he had found the man dying, and tried to help him, whereby he had become covered with blood, but when the man presently died he had come away and said nothing about it, because he was known to have had a quarrel with the deceased, and feared that he might get into trouble. The hay fork with which the man had been murdered had the prisoner's name on it. In other respects his guilt appeared to be clearly established, and the chief justice was convinced of it. When this was the case a judge likes to get a conviction. I have sat beside one myself, who on the second day brought his black cap with him, neatly folded, and placed it in the drawer before him ready for use, and very much annoyed he seemed to be when the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty." This was Chief Justice Dyer's case, and when, notwithstanding their being looked up all night without fire and candle, his jury could come to no decision, and eventually came to the wrong one, he put some searching questions to the high sheriff. The names of the acquittal, said that official, was undoubtedly the foreman, a farmer of excellent character, esteemed by all his neighbors and very unlikely to be obstinate or venal. "Then," said the judge, "I must see this foreman, for an explanation of the matter I will have." The foreman came, and after extracting from his lordship a promise of secrecy proved at once that the prisoner had been right. I myself who killed the man, "it had been no murder, for the other had attacked him with the hayfork, and (as he showed) severely injured him; but in the struggle to get possession of the weapon he had the misfortune to give the man a fatal wound. He had no fear as to his being found guilty of the murder, but the sentence being just over, his farm and affairs would have been ruined by a confession, through lying so long in jail, so he suffered matters to take their course. He was horrified to find one of his own servants accused of the matter, supported his wife and children while in prison, managed to be placed on the jury and elected foreman, and resolutely held out in favor of the prisoner's innocence. He added that if he had failed in this he would certainly have confessed to his own share in the business, and the judge believed him. Every year for fifteen years his lordship made inquiries as to the foreman's existence, and at last, happening to arrive him, he considered himself free to tell the story.

A GREAT BEAR HUNTER.

Five Hundred of the Animals Slain by Gen. Wade Hampton.

Mr. Theodore Roosevelt, in his "Wilderness Hunter," speaks of Gen. Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, as the man who, "with horse and hound, has been the mightiest hunter America has ever seen." His special game has been bear and deer, but he has also had the fortune to kill some sixteen cougars—the panther of the east, the mountain lion of the west, and the lion and puma of South America. Of black bears, according to Mr. Roosevelt, he has probably killed more than any other man living in the United States. Thirty or forty of these he has killed with the knife.

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of five hundred bears of which at least two-thirds have fallen by his own hands. In the years just before the war he had on one occasion, in Mississippi, killed sixty-eight bears in five months. Once he killed four bears in a day; at another time three, and frequently two.

The two largest bears he himself killed weighed respectively four hundred and eight and four hundred and ten pounds. Most of his hunting for bears was done in northern Mississippi, where he had a plantation.

FREE MAIL DELIVERY.

Customs Receipt of an Experiment by the Post Office.

The difference between city and country ways have been illustrated in a curious manner by an experiment of the post office department, says the New York Evening Post. Under the last administration about fifty villages and small towns, ranging in population from eight hundred to four thousand inhabitants, were picked out for a trial of the system of distributing mail matter by carrier, as in large cities. At first general satisfaction was manifested, and the receipts of many of the offices for awhile showed an increase, indicating that the convenience stimulated correspondence, but as the novelty wore off the residents very generally tired of the change and returned to the old practice of going to the office themselves for their mail. A majority of the people would apparently rather have their letters lie in the office until they call for them and thus have an excuse for frequent visits to the center of local activity than have their mail delivered every day at their houses. The carrier in such places is really a foe to social activity, as "going to the post office" has always been a recognized means of mixing with men, and its occasional inconvenience is preferable to the loss of what is often only a pretext for making a break in the monotony of a retired life. In view of the evidence that there is not "a long-felt want" to be met by this system of free delivery in small communities, and of the fact that its general adoption would involve an annual expense of at least ten million dollars, the first assistant postmaster general wisely advises a suspension of the experiment.

EASILY EXPLAINED.

Just the Kind of Dog for That Particular Business.

"Speaking of the dog show," said the man in the slate-colored trousers to a New York Tribune reporter, "reminds me of an astonishing proof of canine intelligence which came under my observation in the year 1873. I was at that time residing in Blenheim, Broome county, N. Y., and had a considerable amount of live stock, some poultry and a superb setter dog. I tell you, he was a fine animal. I never see a dog with such gentle ways. Gentlemen, you could have pulled enough hair out of that dog to stuff a sofa pillow and he wouldn't 'a' bit a bald-headed baby. One day he was running around the yard and somehow playfully snapped the head of a hen. Gentlemen, I never knowed how he did it, but somehow or other the dog found out that she was a settin' hen, and blamed if the critter didn't go and set on them eggs himself till he hatched out nine chickens."

There was a significant silence as the man in the slate-colored trousers finished and toyed suggestively with his glass.

"How do you explain such a remarkable occurrence?" at length inquired the man on the end.

"Settler dog, gentlemen," and then the man in the slate-colored trousers strolled away.

Mackerel Fisheries in Kerry. A Kerry correspondent of United Ireland writes: Dingle, on the extreme western coast of Kerry, is now the center of very active operations in the mackerel fishery industry. Large takes of mackerel have been taken off the coast, and the recent trade which has sprung up in the curing of mackerel during the autumn season for the American market has brought employment and money to the doors of the Kerry peasant and shopkeeper. Dingle is, in fact, a hive of industry at the present moment, owing to the curing and packing of mackerel for the American market. Every man, woman and child is employed, and thousands of cases are dispatched weekly to Liverpool and Glasgow for conveyance to American ports. The mackerel are found off the coast in great shoals, and a fleet of boats is engaged in capturing them, landing the fish in Dingle, where they are cured and prepared.

Photographing a Train.

"At a way station the other day," said a traveler, "I saw an amateur photographer photograph the train. I dare say this has been done a million times before, but I had never happened to see it. When the photographer was through, he waved his hand as he might have done to a single sifter to let him know that he could get up and stretch his legs. In this case the engineer was practically the sifter, and when he opened the throttle and snaked the train out of that big open air studio almost before the photographer had had time to turn around."

Cured by Being Poisoned.

The latest instance of crime bringing its own punishment comes, on the authority of Dr. Leonard Guthrie, from Italy. An Italian woman had a husband and the husband had the dropsy. But the dropsy did not work quickly enough. The woman put a lead into her husband's wine to poison him. But the poison which the woman's skin secreted has an active principle—phyrin—which much resembles digitalis, which is the best possible remedy for dropsy pending on heart disease. So, instead of killing her husband, she restored him to health.

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A Cure for Croup.

When on a visit to Iowa, Mr. K. Dalton of Luray, Russell county, Kansas, called at the laboratory of Chamberlain & Co., Des Moines, to show them his six year old boy, whose life had been saved by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, it having cured him of a very severe attack of croup. Mr. Dalton is certain that it saved his boy's life and is enthusiastic in his praise of the remedy. For sale by Peck Bros. druggists, 129 and 131 Monroe street, and F. J. Wurzburg, 58 Monroe street.

Sore Throat.

For a sore throat there is nothing better than a flannel bandage, dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It will nearly always effect a cure in one night's time. This remedy is also a favorite for rheumatism and has cured many very severe cases. 50 cent bottles for sale by Peck Bros. druggists, 129 and 131 Monroe street, and F. J. Wurzburg, 58 Monroe street.

Reduced Holiday Rates.

Michigan Central will sell round trip tickets at one and one-third rate to local points in Michigan and Canada, December 23, 24, 25 and December 30, 31, and January 1, all good for return until January 2, 1894. Call telephone 600 for full information.

Closing Out Sale.

Of Holiday Slippers and all kinds of footwear at Boyer's, 89 Canal street.

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P. P. P. (Prickly Ash, Poke Root and Potassium) was resorted to and Irvin is well and happy.

Abbott's East India Corn Paint removes quickly all corns, bunions and warts without pain.

A prominent railroad superintendent living in Savannah, one suffering for years from Malaria and General Debility, says, on having recovered his health by the use of P. P. P. "I think that he will live forever, if he can always get P. P. P. (Prickly Ash, Poke Root and Potassium). This party's name will be given on application."

Rheumatism Cured.

POTSDAMER'S RED STAR STORE, LAKE CITY, FLA.

P. P. P. MANUFACTURING CO.

GENTS—Having suffered with Rheumatism for some time, and tried great many remedies, but could find no relief until I used your great and beneficial P. P. P. I recommend it to suffering humanity.

J. POTSDAMER.

Hall's Hair Renewer prevents dandruff, and stops the hair from falling.



KNOWLEDGE

Brings comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many, who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, Syrup of Figs. Its excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative; effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and met with the approval of the medical profession, because it acts on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance. Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

DRUNKENNESS

On the subject of Drunkenness, cured by administering Dr. Haines' Golden Sufferer.

It can be given to a man, woman or child, without the knowledge of the patient. It is a powerful remedy, and will effect a permanent and speedy cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an absolute drunkard. It has been given to thousands of cases, and in every instance a perfect cure has been effected. The name, Syrup of Figs, is printed on every package, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

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SAMPLE 3 BUSHELS 100

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RECEIVER'S SALE!

THE PLANT AND STOCK OF

Nelson, Matter & Co.

FURNITURE MANUFACTURERS, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

Will be sold under an order of the United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Michigan,

AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON JAN. 4, 1894,

At 10 o'clock a m. at the retail stores, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Canal street, Grand Rapids.

The order of the court directs that bids be received for the entire plant and stock (with the exception of the Kent street lumber yard) as one parcel, and also for each of the five parcels into which the property is divided, as follows:

PARCEL ONE—The Lyon street factory, the Lyon street Block or warehouse, including the real estate, buildings, photograph gallery and all machinery and fixtures in the buildings.

PARCEL TWO—The furniture manufactured and in process of manufacture and materials therefor, constituting the wholesale stock of Nelson, Matter & Co., also store and office furniture and fixtures, horses, wagons, sleighs, tools and all other personal property belonging to the estate not included in the retail department.

PARCEL THREE—The real estate comprising the West Side Lumber Yard, so-called.

PARCEL FOUR—The lumber belonging to said estate.

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LEGAL.

PROBATE ORDER—State of Michigan, county of Kent—At a session of the probate court for said county of Kent, held at the probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids, on the 19th day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

Present, Cyrus E. Perkins, judge of probate in the matter of the estate of

MASTIN VALERIE SPRICK, deceased.

An instrument in writing purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased having been filed in this court for probate.

It is ordered, that Friday, the 12th day of January, 1894, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be appointed for the proving of said instrument.

And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weekly previous to said day of hearing in the Grand Rapids Herald, a daily newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Kent.

CYRUS E. PERKINS, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) HARRY D. JEWELL, Register.

Treasurer's Notice.

City Treasurer's Office, Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 12, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the city of Grand Rapids, for the year 1894, is now in my hands, and that I will receive payments on same for the period of twenty days from this date, at the office of the city treasurer, city hall.

A. H. KORRICK, City Treasurer.

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PECK'S HEADACHE POWDERS

May now be obtained from any druggist. Price, 25c per box. They are put up in convenient form and

ARE WARRANTED TO CURE HEADACHE.

Ask any druggist of what make of headache powders he sells the most, and as he will say, "Peck's."

No stronger proof of their superior quality can be given. Besides, every dealer is authorized to refund the money if the customer is dissatisfied.

Yours,

PRICE 25c.

Three Boxes for 75c.

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Sing a song of sixpence, A bottle full of rye, Four and twenty guests around Its excellency to try. When the bottle's opened And they find the liquor pure, Everybody cries at once—"Royal Ruby" sure!

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